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CITY NOTES.

Tomorrow's TRIBUNE will tell you all about "A Study in Scarlet."

The Welcome Dancing class will hold a masquerade social at Germania hall this evening.

Dr. and Mrs. I. F. Everhart have issued invitations for a card party for Thursday evening.

The lady managers of the Florence mission will meet tomorrow at 10 a. m. at 107 Spruce street.

Manager Davis has organized a first-class stock company, which will soon appear at Wonderland.

The Scranton Bicycle club has issued invitations for a "smoker" at the club house on Wednesday evening.

"Lady Windemere's Fan" will be presented at the Academy of Music by one of Charles Graham's companies.

John Floron and A. Sausage, the Italian fruit vendors who were arrested for violating their licenses, were discharged.

An effort will be made to have about 100 Scranton Elks attend the meeting of the Grand Lodge, to be held at Jamestown, N. Y., on June 18.

J. Williams Macy, a well known humorist, will give an entertainment at the Railroad Young Men's Christian association tonight. He will be assisted by Miss Cora C. Storm, of this city.

At the Second Presbyterian church yesterday morning seventy-four persons were taken into the church. Of this number sixty-one were by profession of faith, and thirteen by letter. The proportion of young men was remarkable.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians, American branch, held a county convention yesterday. The subject of amalgamating the two divisions of the order was discussed, after which adjournment was taken for one month, when definite action will be taken.

The fire department committee of select council will report favorably Thursday evening on an ordinance regulating the department, another fixing the pay of permanent men and one appropriating money to purchase a horse for the Nav Aug Engine company.

The training school for kindergartens under the auspices of the Scranton Free Kindergarten association is now in full operation at 218 Washington avenue. The terms are \$100 per annum. The profit resulting from the training school is all expended in free kindergarten work.

The Brownies' entertainment to be given at the Young Men's Christian association hall Thursday night, was given to an audience of 1,000 people in the Plymouth church, Brooklyn, N. Y., last week. The heavy dumb bell to be put up by Father Brownie, will be on exhibition at Kerr & Siebeck's today.

GOOD DRAMA AT WONDERLAND.

Miss Flora Staniford will be seen in A Wife's Triumph.

Beginning with today the Henry Comedy company will present "A Wife's Triumph" at Wonderland. This is a play in which Miss Staniford is said to be exceedingly strong.

Miss Staniford as an actress excels in all plays that require emotion and pathos, and is undoubtedly one of the cleverest of emotional actresses now upon the stage. Those who saw her as Lady Isabella, in "East Lynne," will wish to see her again. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday "Aurora Floyd" will be presented by the company.

B. R. Y. M. C. A.

J. Williams Macy, who is the attraction at to-night's entertainment at the Railroad Department Young Men's Christian association, is a humorist and buffoon of the highest order. He will be assisted by Miss Cora C. Storm of this city. Prices will be as usual. Members, 15 cents; non-members, 25 cents. No reserved seats.

AGAINST STRONG DRINK

Temperance Men Meet and Discuss Best Methods of Promoting Sobriety.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONVENTION

It was held in St. John's Hall, Pine Brook, yesterday afternoon—Organizing Ladies' Societies—Delegates Entertained by St. John's Society—Entertainment and Rally Held Last Night—The Participants.

An interesting and profitable quarterly convention was held in St. John's hall, Pine Brook, yesterday afternoon, by the Father Mathew societies comprising the Second District of the Catholic Total Abstinence union of the Diocese of Scranton. After the convention adjourned the delegates were entertained at a banquet by the members of St. John's society. Last night an entertainment and temperance rally was held in the hall under the auspices of the same society.

The hall in which the convention met was attractively decorated, the generous use of American flags and bunting giving it a patriotic appearance. In the rear of the hall was a large American flag over which were hung pictures of Father Mathew, Cardinal Gibbons and Bishop O'Hara. The front of the stage was draped with bunting, and on either side of it were pictures representing the landing of Columbus, and the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

At 2.15 the convention was called to order by J. C. Gallagher, president of the district organization, who offered prayer. The following gentlemen occupied seats on the platform with him: John H. Devine, Scranton, president of the Diocesan union; Charles H. Lavin, Wilkes-Barre, vice-president; M. M. Mack, Kingston, secretary; D. J. Campbell, Scranton, president of the Scranton union; M. J. McCafferty, Scranton, president of the First District organization; M. J. Walsh, Wilkes-Barre, president of the Third District organization; P. M. Messitt and J. J. White, Scranton, secretary and treasurer of the Second District organization.

Mr. Gallagher, in opening the convention, said they had met to see how best to fight the demon of intemperance. With that object in view he hoped their deliberations would be conducted with concord and good feeling.

He then called for the credentials of the delegates.

MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION.

The delegates who handed in credentials to Secretary Messitt were:

St. Paul's Pioneer corps, West Scranton—John J. Sweeney, A. J. Martin, P. J. Walsh, J. J. Murray, B. Riley.

St. Leo's battalion, West Scranton—James P. Moore, John J. Dinkin, William Jones, James H. Barrett, John Hester.

St. John's society, of Pine Brook—D. J. Campbell, M. Barrett, E. O'Malley, John Flaherty, John McAlle.

St. Patrick's society, South Scranton—C. G. Boland, Patrick Boyle, John D. Boland, John Curran.

Father Mathew cadets, West Side—Welsh, Cronin, Noon.

Father Mathew society, Green Ridge—Peter J. Lynn, M. J. Melody, Michael Roman, William Sabes, Henry Hart.

St. John's cadets, South Scranton—John J. McGuire, Edward Kelly, D. Donahoe, John Collins, Patrick M. Kelly.

St. John's society, South Scranton—John B. Fierstone, Joseph A. Folan, John J. McGrath, William Lynch, William Gavin.

Father Whitty's Young Men, Providence—Capt. J. E. Moran, James P. Gilbride, Anthony Kane, R. A. Maloney, Edward George.

Father Mathew society, West Scranton—J. C. Gallagher, C. A. Canavan, H. C. Gallagher, J. B. McCann and John D. Cronin.

St. Patrick's cadets, South Scranton—James P. Lavelle, Frank P. Brady, C. J. Rudy, Dominick Healey, Michael J. Burns.

St. Joseph's society, Minooka—P. F. O'Hara, John E. O'Malley, Peter F. Caslick.

St. Joseph's cadets, Minooka—P. J. Malherin, Henry Casey, James F. Judge.

PRESIDENT DEVINE SPEAKS.

President John H. Devine was then introduced and said:

If we keep on agitating in the right direction and keep alive the spirit of earnest effort that is produced by these quarterly conventions success will ultimately crown our efforts. It will never come if we quietly lay on our oars. We must press forward with determination and light down the powerful enemies of this movement. It is a great question and means the emancipation of souls, the emancipation of men and the solving of the labor problem. If we show the determination in the future that we have in the past we will surprise ourselves and our enemies. I am confident that at the next annual convention in Wilkes-Barre we will be able to show more new societies organized than any year since the formation of the union. The powerful influence of the ladies is being exerted in our behalf and will be productive of great good.

Brief remarks were also made by Charles H. Lavin, John M. Mack, M. J. Walsh and D. J. Campbell. The report of the board of directors of the district was read and showed that three ladies' societies had been organized since the last convention. They are auxiliaries to St. Leo's and Father Mathew societies, of the West Side, and St. John's, of South Scranton.

THE PAPERS READ.

Captain J. H. Duggan, of Providence, was then called upon to read a paper on a temperance topic. His subject was, "Position of the Catholic Church with regard to Prohibition." The paper was a very thoughtful effort, and showed painstaking research and careful consideration of the subject. He maintained that the question of prohibition as generally understood belongs to the domain of politics and not to religion. He said the trouble was that prohibition is too often and persistently urged as a dogma and not as a policy.

Captain Duggan was followed by C. G. Boland, who read a paper dealing with the efforts in the direction of bringing about prohibition by legislation. He maintained that the history of the states that have adopted prohibition in the past show that it is not a success. In concluding his paper Mr. Boland said:

It is clear to every unprejudiced mind that the effort to abolish the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors cannot be accomplished by law in any state unless it is abolished throughout every other state and in the world generally, and even if it were possible, no sane man would believe it probable.

TO BROADEN THE WORK.

I believe that if we broaden the work of our organization by extending its benefits to all men who are in need of its maintaining influence that it can exist and grow strong and powerful without inviting membership for the money there is in it. We know that the use of intoxicating drinks is not sinful in itself. It is the abuse that is sinful.

Where drunkenness is a chronic condition let us urge that the victim be treated and cured as the insane are treated and cared for in that state. Under present conditions for the victim of strong drink is

allowed his freedom as soon as the result of his debauch disappears, only to satisfy the appetite for more drink, which grows by what it feeds on until it makes him mad and lands him in the almshouse, or drives him to abandon the dearest ties of kindred and home.

It will be observed that many of the states which have abandoned prohibition notably Massachusetts are adopting this method of dealing with the question and there can be no doubt that the restraining influence of the law will be maintained in the face of the evil and in time abolish drunkenness. A summation devotedly to be wished and in the success of which our temperance organization is especially adapted to lead the way.

THE INSURANCE PLAN.

Discussion of the plan of having an insurance feature in connection with the Diocesan union was taken up. Only one society was reported as favoring the plan. After much discussion the matter was laid on the table until the next convention. On the invitation of St. John's society, the delegates adjourned to the second floor of the building where a banquet was served in an artistically decorated dining hall.

The banquet was in charge of P. F. Murray, T. J. Goodrich, John Jones, Henry Goddard, Nicholas Burke and Edward Barrett. St. John's society, assisted by the following ladies: Mrs. M. J. Kelly, Mrs. P. Flaherty, Mrs. M. Coughlin, Mrs. J. W. McLain, Mrs. Hugh Calkin, Mrs. Hugh Grattan, and Misses Nellie West, Annie Gibbons, Bridget Conr, Bridget McAlle, Nellie Devine, Annie Ferguson, Annie Stringer, Theresa Blawitt and Maggie Sullivan.

At 6 o'clock the convention reassembled and reports from societies were heard regarding the organization of ladies' societies.

LADIES' SOCIETIES ORGANIZED.

It was shown that St. Leo's society, West Side, has a ladies' society with fifty members; St. John's, South Side, one with fifty-five members; Father Mathew society, West Side, has a ladies' organization formal, and St. Paul's society, of the West Side, and St. Patrick's society, South Scranton, are about to form such organizations.

J. J. Moran, of Providence, made an address favoring the erection of a monument to Father Mathew on Court House square. The matter was then brought before the convention by a motion from James McNamara, of the West Side, that the societies of the Second District erect such a monument as suggested by Mr. Moran. On motion of James Cullen, of South Scranton, action on the matter was deferred until the next quarterly convention to get the sentiment of the local societies. The following resolution was presented by C. G. Boland and passed:

It is the sense of this convention that we heartily approve the movement inaugurated by the Philadelphia societies to erect a monument to the gallant Paul H. Sheridan and pledge our aid to the movement.

BADGE PRESENTATION.

Just before the close of the convention President Devine presented Master Patrick Quinn with a gold badge for bringing into St. John's cadets the greatest number of new members during the past quarter.

After discussing a number of measures to promote the membership of societies, a vote of thanks was tendered to St. John's society and to the press of the city. The invitation of St. Paul's society of Green Ridge, that the next quarterly convention be held in its hall, was accepted and the convention closed with prayer.

Next Sunday the quarterly convention of the third district will assemble at Wilkes-Barre.

The convention was followed by a public rally and entertainment given by St. John's society. Every available bit of space in the hall was occupied and many were unable to gain admission.

MR. POWDERLY'S ADDRESS.

D. J. Campbell was chairman of the evening. T. V. Powderly delivered a stirring address and remarks were also made by Rev. P. J. McCann, Ex Judge E. P. Smith, Charles H. Lavin and John H. Devine.

St. Patrick's society, also had numbers on the program. Vocal solo, Misses Kathryn Mangan, Margaret Harrington, Angela Blawitt, Peter Snyder, Will F. Burke, M. J. Coyne; cornet solo, Professor Hartnett; piano solo, Miss Nellie Curran.

Mr. Powderly was the principal address of the evening and he earnestly exhorted his hearers to become affiliated with some of the total abstinence societies and lend their assistance and example in promoting the noble work of temperance. He compared Abraham Lincoln and Father Mathew and said that one had freed the blacks from bondage while the other had freed thousands of white and black from a form of slavery no less ignominious than that suffered by the blacks of our land.

During the course of his remarks Mr. Powderly paid a tribute of respect to the memory of the late James Mitchell for many years president of St. John's society. He said they had labored together for years in labor and temperance organizations and he ever found him a faithful friend and a true, consistent worker for whatever would benefit humanity.

OBJECTS TO THE IMPROVEMENTS.

Joseph S. Knight Wants His House to Remain as It Is.

Joseph S. Knight on Saturday obtained a preliminary injunction asking the court to restrain John J. Brogan from erecting any new building on the lot occupied by Mr. Knight at Chestnut and Shoemaker streets, Dunmore.

Mr. Knight leases the premises from Robert P. Savage and his lease does not expire until April 1. He says the addition being erected renders several of his rooms uninhabitable, and is a source of great annoyance to him. His wife is ill, and if the noise, confusion and dirt caused by the workmen continues her health will be destroyed and life endangered. He wants the work discontinued and compensation given him for the injury he has already sustained.

On application of Attorney T. F. Wells, counsel for Mr. Knight, court granted a preliminary injunction and made it returnable next Wednesday.

IT WAS A QUEER AGREEMENT.

William K. Davenport, it is said, failed to comply with it.

Richard C. Rhule, administrator of Richard Rhule, late of Old Forge, Saturday began an action against William K. Davenport to recover \$3,000.

On May 1, 1878, Mr. Rhule gave possession of a large tract of land, with implements and goods to Mr. Davenport, the agreement being that the goods or their value should be returned on demand.

Since Mr. Rhule's death, on September 11, last, his administrator has made several demands on Mr. Davenport to return the goods, and, not receiving satisfaction, has brought suit. He places the amount of his damages at \$2,000. Attorneys Rueland & Voeberg appear for the plaintiff.

The Mystery Explained.

"A Study in Scarlet," that you've talked of so long, will be explained in full tomorrow.

GOSSIP OF THE GUARD

A Column of Interesting News Concerning the Thirtieth, Compiled by Critic.

ELECTION FOR OFFICERS ORDERED

Successors of Captain Chase, Captain Rockwell, Lieutenant Lee, Lieutenant Stillwell and the Late Lieutenant Seelye Will Soon Be Chosen—Officers Elected by the Scranton City Guard Association.

Col. Ripple issued the following orders the past week:

HEADQUARTERS 13TH REGIMENT, INFANTRY 3RD BRIGADE, N. G. P., SCRANTON, PA., Jan. 11, 1894.

Regimental Order No. 2.

1. In obedience to special order No. 20, dated Headquarters Third Brigade, N. G. P., Jan. 9, 1894, there will be an election held in Co. A, Thirtieth Regiment, N. G. P., on Monday evening Jan. 22, 1894, at 8 o'clock for one Captain, one 1st Lieutenant, one 2nd Lieutenant, to fill the vacancies created by the death of Captain Edward E. Chase, 1st Lieutenant Arthur H. Lee and 2nd Lieutenant Frederick W. Stillwell.

2. Major Charles C. Mattes First Battalion Thirtieth Regiment is hereby directed to hold said election in the quarters of Company A, and will make prompt returns of said election to Third Brigade Headquarters, Lebanon, Pa. By order of COLONEL EZRA H. RIPLEY, W. S. MILLAR, Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS 13TH REGIMENT, INFANTRY 3RD BRIGADE, N. G. P., SCRANTON, PA., Jan. 11, 1894.

Regimental Order No. 3.

1. In obedience to special order No. 20, dated Headquarters Third Brigade, N. G. P., Jan. 9, 1894, an election for captain Company H, N. G. P., to fill vacancy caused by the death of Captain of service of Captain William E. Rockwell which occurred Dec. 18, 1893, and such other vacancies as shall occur by reason of such election, will be held at the quarters of Company H, Tuesday evening Jan. 23, 1894, at 8 o'clock.

2. Major George H. Whitney, Second Battalion Thirtieth Regiment, is hereby directed to hold said election in the quarters of Company H, and will make prompt returns thereof direct to the Third Brigade Headquarters, Lebanon, Pa. By order of COLONEL EZRA H. RIPLEY, W. S. MILLAR, Adjutant.

HEADQUARTERS 13TH REGIMENT, INFANTRY 3RD BRIGADE, N. G. P., SCRANTON, PA., Jan. 11, 1894.

Regimental Order No. 4.

1. In obedience to special order No. 20, dated Headquarters Third Brigade, National Guards of Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Pa., Jan. 9, 1894, an election for captain Company D, Thirtieth Regiment, National Guard of Pennsylvania, to fill vacancy caused by the death of Second Lieutenant Frederick W. Stillwell which occurred Jan. 2, 1894, will be held in quarters of Company D, Thursday evening Jan. 25, 1894, at 8 o'clock.

2. Captain Andrew Barard, Company D, is hereby directed to hold election, and will make prompt returns thereof direct to Third Brigade Headquarters, Lebanon, Pa. By order of COLONEL EZRA H. RIPLEY, W. S. MILLAR, Adjutant.

CITY GUARD OFFICERS.

The board of officers of the Scranton City Guard held their annual and quarterly meeting last Monday evening.

Reports were received from the treasurer and the several committees and duly acted upon. The result of the election of officers for the ensuing year was as follows: Secretary and treasurer, Adjutant W. S. Millar; committee on the state of the guard, Lieutenant Colonel H. A. Conrson, Adjutant W. S. Millar and Lieutenant C. R. Parke; music committee, Captain James M. Andrews, Barard, Ostry and Lieutenant F. W. Stillwell.

A committee was appointed to draft resolutions touching on the death of Lieutenant L. I. Seelye. A committee consisting of Colonel E. H. Ripple, Lieutenant Colonel H. A. Conrson, Major C. C. Mattes, Major W. G. Fulton, Adjutant W. S. Millar, Captain S. C. Logan and Lieutenant J. W. Oakford were appointed to solicit honorary and sustaining members of the regiment.

The resolution on reorganization of the board offered by Adjutant W. S. Millar over a year ago, and which he has persistently championed, was finally adopted, being unanimously adopted.

The action taken is as follows: The board of officers of the Scranton City guard will remain intact and will hereafter meet annually instead of quarterly. A board of officers of the Thirtieth regiment will be formed consisting of all the commissioned officers of the regiment who will meet quarterly for the transaction of regimental business. The officers of the regiment will meet at the armory of the Scranton City guard on Monday evening, Feb. 5, for organization. Captains M. Barnard and E. D. Fellows and Adjutant Millar, were appointed a committee to draft laws for the guidance and government of the new board.

ANNUAL SPRING INSPECTION.

The annual spring inspection of the regiment will take place very soon and company commanders should be well prepared for the ordeal. Close attention should be given to all the details of the company, and particular attention being given to guard duty and skirmish drill. There seems to be a prevailing idea among company commanders to keep the shoes (recently adopted and issued by the state to the guard) carefully stored away and not issue them to the men until the eve of the coming encampment. This is a serious mistake. Every enlisted man must appear at the coming spring inspection wearing the regulation state shoe. No other shoe worn will be recognized by the inspector. Major Wright, and any deviation from this part of the uniform and equipment, will cause the company to be placed down, just as certain as if the men appeared in citizen's trousers. Make no mistake in this, company commanders, but issue those shoes at once and have them broken in for inspection. The men should be admonished at the same time that the regulation state shoe is only to be worn when in uniform. Company drill affords an excellent opportunity to break in the new shoes.

JANUARY 15, 1894.

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TRIBUNE OFFICE,

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The action of the board of officers of the Scranton City guard, their meeting, to organize a new regimental board of officers consisting of all the commissioned officers of the regiment was not only commendable, but just, and wise. Just what the officers of the field and staff and Companies A, B, C, D, argued for the past sixteen years, every quarter and instant business in the interest of the entire regiment, while the officers of Companies E, F, G and H, have had no voice or expression in the matter, is beyond all comprehension.

The latter four companies have as much interest at stake in the prosperity and government of the regiment as have the four former companies. And it is but just and fair that they should have a voice in the selection of officers and committees and in the transaction of all business pertaining to the government of the regiment. On the other hand, it is neither just nor fair that Companies A, B, C and D should bear the burden of the expense for the maintenance of the general affairs of the regiment. Every company should share alike the expense of the regiment as well as its glories and achievements. Under the new regime of board of officers of the regiment, it is possible for the colonel commanding to come in personal contact with his line officers at least four times a year in addition to camp, and discuss ways and means for the success and benefit of the regiment. It is expected at the meeting to be held in this city Feb. 5 every officer will be present to take part in the new organization.

NOTES OF THE GUARD.

Lieutenant Walter A. Wood, the martinet and courteous officer of Company E, Conesdale, was at the Westminister, this city, last Friday evening, and was entertained by Adjutant Miller, Inspector Pratt and Dr. Parke, of the staff, and Lieutenant H. B. Chase, of Company C.

Adjutant Miller was for the fifteenth consecutive year elected secretary and treasurer of the board of officers of the Scranton City guard at the meeting last Monday.

It is to be hoped that Company H will induce Captain W. B. Rockwell to accept the captaincy of the company for another term at its election on the twenty-third. He is the right man in the right place and his retirement would not only be regretted by his company, but by the regiment as well.

A TORNADO AT THE ACADEMY.

Lincoln Carter's New Play Produced by a Band of Amateurs.

The audience that attended the performance of Lincoln Carter's new play, "The Tornado," at the Academy of Music on Saturday night was dismissed at 10.50 o'clock—exactly two and a quarter hours later than it should have been.

The play gets its name from a tornado scene at the end of the first act, which is rather cleverly produced with the aid of a dozen or so pieces of wire clothesline. The rest of the play was so dull and uninteresting and so poorly acted that when the curtains dropped for the second act the gallery hissed, and a show must be fearfully and wonderfully bad to be hissed at by Scranton galleries, for as a rule they are the most patient and easily pleased of critics.

Mr. Carter's play can never succeed so long as it is handicapped by the brilliant galaxy of actors and actresses that produced "The Tornado" Saturday night. The bad, naughty, scheming villain was played by an amateur named George T. Meach, who has made a good success in "thinking parts" in Sunday school charades. Mr. Meach has a few qualities of the stage villain, but not all. He is not a villain, and he has a crush hat, also a good reputation stage school at divers times. But Mr. Meach forgets to tap the stage with his shoe at that point of the drama where his plans are frustrated by the hero. After several years' practice Mr. Meach will undoubtedly make a good actor for private theatricals, and then if he continues to play one night stands he will be fully qualified to do soubrette roles in the male drama.

The part of Bridget O'Rafferty, the possessor of a bad cold, a red wig and a daughter of 37 years, made up to look as if she were 18, was played by Miss Mary Graham. It was a delicious bit of comedy work, and was capably and by two little boys in the third row of the gallery, who were visiting the theatre for the first time.

The other members of the company were amateurs, recently graduated from a school of acting, and were naturally rather timid and nervous.

The real hits of the evening were made by the wind artist and thunder generator. THE TRIBUNE cannot give the names of these young men as they were not on the programme.

VARIETY BILL AT EDEN MUSEE.

First-Class Artists Who Will Appear at This House This Week.

The Imperial Vaudeville company will be at the Eden Musee this week. The company is composed of stars in its line and will no doubt give the best of satisfaction.

Such well known people as Eddie Edwards, dialect comedian; Rice and McIntyre, sketch artists and comedians; Joe Burt, who will appear as "The Tornado," and a number of other well known people, capable of managing the house and conducting it as a popular family resort and will no doubt enjoy the best of patronage.

The Mystery Explained.

"A Study in Scarlet," that you've talked of so long, will be explained in full tomorrow.

After Swearing Off.

How many have taken vows of abstinence with the birth of the new year is perhaps hard to estimate, but we now know that such efforts are futile against inveterate habit, a habit which has become a disease. There was a time when it would have been easy to quit, but having neglected to do so the habit continued until the constant friction of the habit of the season there was forced a change in the nervous system which made it not only possible to drink, but necessary. Then you could drink a good deal and